

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Water Resources Department – Permission to M/s Geomysore Services(India) Pvt. Limited, Kurnool District for drawl of 0.021 TMC water for their Jonnagiri Gold Mine Project in Kurnool District from HNSS main canal @Km138.850 near Yadavalli village of Kurnool District for a period of 2 (Two) years – Accorded - Orders – Issued.

WATER RESOURCES (REFORMS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.85

Dated:26.07.2018.

Read the following:-

1. From the Chief Operating Officer, Geomysore Services(India) Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore Letter dated: 26.12.2016 and further letters dt. 23.02.2017 and 30.05.2018.
2. From the Engineer-in-chief (Irrigation), Water Resources Department, Vijayawada Lr.No.ENC(I)/EE/DEE1/AEE2/IWS (Geomysore), dt: 21.03.2018.
3. From the Chief Engineer (Projects), Water Resources Department, Ananthapuramu Letter.No.CE(P)/ATP/P-30/Vol.6/ 294M, dated: 11.05.2018.
4. From the Chief Engineer(Projects), Water Resources Department, Ananthapuramu Letter. No. CE (P)/ ATP/DEE3/P-30/Vol.6/ 370M, dated: 23.06.2018.

O R D E R

In the reference 1st read above, the Chief Operating Officer, Geomysore Services(India) Pvt. Limited, Bangalore has stated that, the Mining Lease Deed for Gold and other associated minerals over an area of 597.82 hectares situated in the villages of Jonnagiri, Pagadrayi and Erragudi of Tuggali Mandal, Pattikonda Taluka in Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh was executed in favour of Geomysore Services (India) Private Limited(GMSI) in 2013. GMSI has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Government of Andhra Pradesh on January 10, 2016 in order to promote mutual cooperation for infrastructure and industrial development in the State of Andhra Pradesh. The Chief Operating Officer, Geomysore Services (India) Private Limited(GMSI) has requested the Government to sanction the earlier approved quantity of 0.021 TMC of water to be drawn from HNSS canal near Peravali for the periods as long as water is available in the canal. The Chief Operating Officer, GMSI again in his letter dated 23.02.2017 has requested to draw the allotted quantity of 0.021 TMC of water from the HNSS canal near Yadavalli which is only at a distance of 18 Km from Jonnagiri Gold Project site. The Firm in their letter dated 30.5.2018 has requested to sanction water till their mining lease period i.e up to 20.10.2063.

2. The Engineer-in-Chief (Irrigation), Water Resources Department & the Chief Engineer(Projects), Ananthapuramu have recommended for drawl of 0.021 TMC water to M/s Geomysore Services (India) Private Limited, Kurnool district from HNSS main canal@Km38.850 initially 15 years with a condition that the Firm has to renew their requirement at least once in two years and also the Firm has to follow the specific conditions mentioned below:

- i. The Water can be spared based on the availability of water in the River/Reservoir / Canal.

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- ii. The water drawn from the Source should be utilized for the purpose for which permission is granted.
- iii. The firm has to pay water charges for the estimated quantity in advance as fixed by the Department.
- iv. The consumptive utilization calculated per day fixed by the Department should not exceed under any circumstances.
- v. Digital Water meters and measuring devices should be installed at the pump house by the industry at their own cost to measure the water consumed and should be made available to the Water Resources and Revenue Department authorities at all times for inspection.
- vi. The firm should pay security deposit fixed by the Department for which permission is granted.
- vii. A detailed plan showing the location of intake arrangements, pump house, alignment of pipe line and conveyance system should be furnished to the department, for approval.
- viii. The industry should make its own arrangements for sufficient storage of water during non-supply period.
- ix. The Water Resources Department is no way responsible for non supply of water due to any reasons.
- x. The entire cost of construction of pump house, pipe line etc. should be borne by the industry only.
- xi. The industry must strengthen the river margin on either side of the proposed off take point to avoid erosion of bank and to protect the existing river margins as directed by the Department.
- xii. The Department is no way responsible for any damages that may occur to the off take point and pump house during floods.
- xiii. This Department is not responsible for any dispute that arises with neighboring industries and public and any legal matters.
- xiv. The firm should not create any objection for improvement /modernization works to the said Reservoir in future, and they have to relocate the pumps if necessary, with their own cost.
- xv. The industry should abide by any other conditions laid by the Department at later date.
- xvi. The Water Resources Department reserves the right for cancellation of the permission without assigning any reasons thereof.
- xvii. The annual requirement of water can be spared from River / Reservoir / Canal. No more drawl shall be permitted, Priority shall be given to Drinking water & Irrigation, when reservoir receives lean flows.
- xviii. The storage tank should be constructed - sufficient to store the requirements for non Supply period for water drawl from River / Reservoir / Canal.
- xix. The point of drawl should be as fixed by the Department.
- xx. The company holds no right over the water permitted to draw. Priority will be given to drinking & irrigation needs.

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- xxi. Water allocation is accorded based on release of water into canal and whenever water is available in HNSS Main canal.
- xxii. Measuring arrangements, cost of construction of OT sluice, pipe lines, storage arrangements etc., if any, shall be born by the establishing authority itself.
- Xxiii. Release of water would be done only after fulfilling all the conditions stipulated while giving allocation and a proper agreement is entered between the industry and Water Resources Department for O&M as well as realization of royalty from the industry.
- xxiv. The water royalty charges shall be levied @ Rs. 5.50 per 1000 Gallons or at the rates prescribed by the Government from time to time.
- xxv. The concerned Executive Engineer will be responsible for enforcing the conditions.

3. In view of the circumstances explained by the Engineer-in-Chief, (Irrigation), Government after careful examination of the matter hereby accord permission to M/s Geomysore Services (India) Private Limited, Kurnool District for drawl of 0.021 TMC water for their Jonnagiri Gold Mine Project in Kurnool District from HNSS main canal @Km 138.850 near Yadavalli village of Kurnool District for a period of 2(Two) years duly following the specific conditions mentioned at para.2 above .

4. The Engineer-in-Chief (Irrigation), Water Resources Department, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada and the Collector & District Magistrate of Kurnool District shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Engineer-in-Chief(Irrigation), Water Resources Department,
Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

The Collector & District Magistrate, Kurnool District.

The Managing Director, Pollution Control Board, Andhra Pradesh,Vijayawada.

The Chief Operating Officer, M/s Geomysore Services (India) Private Limited,
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Copy to:

The Chief Engineer, (Projects), Water Resources Department, Ananthapuramu.

The Superintending Engineer, HNSS Circle No.II, Ananthapuramu.

The Private Secretary to Secretary to Government, Water Resources
Department.

The Private Secretary to Secretary to Government, Industries & Commerce
Department.

The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Minister, Water Resources Department.

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SECTION OFFICER.